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SUBJECT: NATO DEFENSE INITIATIVES: ADMINISTRATIVE

ARRANGEMENTS - BELGIAN AND FRENCH REACTIONS
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1. WE NOTE THAT THE FRENCH POSITION, AS OUTLINED IN PARA
2 OF REFTEL IS SOMEWHAT AMBIGUOUS, SINCE FRANCE HAS
REQUESTED AND BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT RECEIVES FULL INFOR-
MATION ON NATO DEFENSE INITIATIVES AND WILL PARTICIPATE
TO THE EXTENT THESE INITIATIVES CAN BE DEVELOPED IN
EXISTING NATO FORUMS IN WHICH THE FRENCH PARTICIPATE. FOR
EXAMPLE, WE SEE A MAIN PART OF THE TASK OF THESE THREE
CONSULTANTS AS SUPPORT FOR THE PAPS AND AC94 WORK IN WHICH
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FRANCE PARTICIPATES. THESE TWO CNAD COMMITTEES SHOULD
PROVIDE A MAJOR PART OF THE FINAL REPORT OF THE TASK FORCE
ON RATIONALIZATION. YOU MAY WISH TO UNDERLINE THIS POINT
WITH PANSAs OR WITH TINE, AS APPROPRIATE.

2. IF CONSULTANTS ARE TO BE HIRED BY IS, THEN CIVIL
BUDGET FUNDING WOULD BE REQUIRED, SINCE DEPARTMENT HAS

CONSISTENTLY ADVISED CONGRESS THAT IS EMPLOYEES ARE PAID
FROM STATE DEPARTMENT, I.E., NATO CIVIL BUDGET FUNDS.
MILITARY BUDGET MAY BE USED IF HIRING IS DONE DIRECTLY BY
NATO INTERNATIONAL MILITARY STAFF. MISSION SHOULD

EXPLORE THIS COURSE IF UNABLE TO CONVINCE FRENCH THAT
CIVIL BUDGET IS THE RIGHT WAY TO HANDLE REQUIREMENT. IMS
COULD HIRE CONSULTANTS AND PROVIDE THEM TO TASK FORCES AS
IMS REPRESENTATIVES. REIMBURSEMENT BY THE IMS TO IS FOR
INDIVIDUALS ON THE IS PAYROLL IS UNACCEPTABLE UNDER US
BUDGETARY RULES BECAUSE IT WOULD INVOLVE AUGMENTING
DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATIONS.
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